various schemes. But to say that for poultry and for piggery how much allocation was made will require another exercise. I can work out the figure and send it on to the hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question No. 354.

Lapses in installation of Hand Pumps in Resettlement Colonies in Delhi

*354. SHRI RAMSINGBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases have been registered by CBI against some Delhi Development Authority engineers and others for various lapses in connection with installation of hand pumps in resettlement colonies in Delhi and also for construction of buildings, flats and shops etc.;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any enquiry has been conducted by Government into the matter; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken against the concerned officers?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) One case was registered by CBI in 1980 against five Junior Engineers and Assistant Engineers for their failure to satisfactorily account for 66 hand pump machines, 141.65 metres of CI Pipe and 664.95 metres of GI Pipe costing Rs. 25,417.41. No case for construction works of buildings, flats, shops, etc., has been registered by CBI.

(c) and (d) On the basis of CBI report, departmental proceedings were initiated by DDA against these officials. Penalty of stoppage of two increments with cumulative effect was imposed on two officials and a warning was issued to the third. CBI did not recommend any action against the remaining two officials.

श्री रामसिंहभाई पातलीयाभाई राठवा : मेरा सवाल है कि कितने इंजीनियर्स और उस के अलावा घपले में कितने लोग आते हैं और उन पर क्या कोई कार्रवाई की गयी है ?

MR. CHAIRMAN : He wants to know whether any action has been taken against the engineers.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : Sir, this is what I mentioned that on the basis of CBI report, departmental proceedings were initiated by DDA against these officials and penalties were imposed on two officials.

MR. CHAIRMAN : You have said officials.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : I just said that. They are junior engineers.

MR. CHAIRMAN : That is all you wanted. No second supplementary? Question No. 355—Shri Satyanarayan Reddy. Mr. Reddy, you don't want to put the question? Caught napping?

AN HON. MEMBER : Mr. Reddy is not ready.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : Question No. 355, Sir.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : Sir, it looks the Rajya Sabha is establishing a new record. Now we will have to come prepared for all the Questions.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I think Fridays may be dispensed with as Question Days.

DDA Auctions

*355. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that auctions of houses, flats, shops etc., constructed by DDA fetched very high prices;

(b) what is the number of autions conducted by the DDA during the last three years, what is the actual amount realised and what is the actual cost of construction; and

(c) whether Government have conducted a study to gauge how far the auctions

scheme is responsible in pushing up prices of property as also rents of property?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Depending upon the location and their use, the properties sold in auction by DDA, by and large, are bringing reasonable good returns. Under the current procedure the disposal of only commercial properties and residential plots of more than 200 sq. yds. in area is being done through auction.

(b) During the period, 87 commercial plots in various schemes have been disposed of at a total premium of Rs. 10,87,92,000 in 15 auctions. Information with regard to the cost of construction of commercial properties put to auction by DDA and in regard to auctions other than those relating to commercial properties is not readily available.

(c) No such study has been made.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT: Sir, I read the figure in that manner because I am very bad at making out figures and saying in lakhs and millions. That is why I read the figure like that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, yes. It is obvious from the way you read it.

श्री बी० सत्यनारायण रेड्डी : जो डी० डी० ए० की तरफ से फ्लैट्स और मकान बन रहे हैं उनको आक्शन करने का जो तरीका है, जो पद्धति है, उससे कई शिकायतें आई हैं और जो लोग पहले से कंस्ट्रक्शन के लिए एप्लिकेशन देते हैं, उनको प्रायौरिटी बेसिस पर फ्लैट्स या मकान मिलते है । इसके साथ ही साथ कई लोग-बाग लोकैलिटीज के लिए भी एप्लीकेशन देते हैं, लेकिन उनको दूसरी लोकैलिटीज में अलाटमेंट हो जाता है जब कि उनकी डिमांड होती है कि उनको उस पर्टिकुलर लोकेलिटी में ही अलाटमेंट होना चाहिए । इसके अलावा डी० डी० ए० की तरफ से जो कंस्ट्रक्शन किया जा रहा है, उसमें भी बाधलियां है । इन सब को दुरुस्त करने के लिए और कंस्ट्रक्शन कास्ट सही हो और आक्शन में जो बुराइयां है उनको दूर करने के लिए आपका मन्त्रालय क्या कोई कदम उठा रहा है ?

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT: Sir, I would share the hon. Member's anxiety that the prices of properties are kept in proper check in the capital. But I would just wish to remind him that this question relates to the auction of houses, flats, shops, etc., and not registration of houses and their allotment. The question specifically relates to auctions. Now, there are other categories where there are registrations and the allotments are generally made by the date of registration. There are a number of problems. There was a question in-between when the hon. Member was not present. There may be a general feeling on the lines of what the hon. Member has expressed but that may not be true. If the hon. Member has some specific cases in which he says that some bungling has been done, that people who were entitled for allotment on the basis of their registration were not allotted, that some other people got the allotments by some underhand means and so on, I should welcome that information from the hon. Member and I shall certainly ask the officials to make inquiries in the matter. I share the hon. Member's anxiety that the whole thing must be done according to the rules.

श्री बी० सत्यनारायण रेड्डी : यह खुशी की बात है कि माननीय मंत्री जी ने मान लिया है कि अगर कोई ऐसी चीज होगी तो उस के बारे में वे इंक्वायरी करायेंगे । लेकिन इस के साथ-साथ मुझे यह सवाल करना है कि डी०डी०ए० की तरफ से जो आक्शन होता है उस की पद्धति मे भी कुछ तबदीली होने की जरूरत है । उन्होंने कई बार ऐसे इश्तहार निकाले हैं कि आक्शन होगा लेकिन फिर उस मे तबदीली हो जाती है डी० डी० ए० के जरिये । तो मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या उस में कोई अंडर हैंड डीलिंग होती है या डी० डी० ए० के लोग कुछ गड़बड़ करते हैं? इसके बारे में सरकार ने कोई जांच की है ? अगर की है तो क्या उसको कुछ इसका पता चला है ?

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT: Sir, I must admire the hon. Member now connecting his earlier question with the auctions. The question is the same and my answer is the same. If he has any specific complaint,

in regard to auctions, I shall certainly ask the officials to make inquiries.

श्री राम चन्द्र विकल : मैं मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूं कि नीलामी में ज्यादातर पैसे वाले लोग ही खरीदारी करते हैं, ऐसा ही प्राय: देखा जाता है । जिन के पास पहले से मकान है वे ही खरीदते हैं और आज प्रापर्टी का बिजनस सब से ज्यादा मुनाफा देने वाला हो गया है । तो क्या सरकार सोचती है कि गरीब लोगों को मकान मिल सकें और सस्ते मिल सकें और इस बारे में नो-प्राफिट नो-लास बेसिस पर काम हो इस बारे में क्या सरकार कुछ सोच रही है ?

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : Now, Sir, the hon. Member, Mr. Ram Chandra Vikal, is a very old and senior Member and a very well reputed leader. I hope he knows the thing. The rationale behind auctions is that land is something which can be used for raising resources and, at the same time, these resources can be used for the benefit of the poor people also. Now, peronally I feel that land is auctioned to raise resources. At the same time, this is not to say that there are no schemes for the weaker sections. Sir, I would like to tell the hon. Member and he also knows it that in Delhi there are a very large number of schemes for the poor people where they have been settled in various areas. There are schemes for economically weaker sections, there are schemes under the 20-point programme there are schemes for resettlement colonies and other things under which lakhs of people have been benefited. For the over all development of Delhi also the DDA does need resources. The rationale behind auctioning some land is that there are people who are rich and who can afford to pay. There is nothing wrong in it. And the resources so collected can be used for weaker sections. There is greater necessity for more houses for weaker sections in Delhi.

*356. [*The Questions (Shri Satya Prakash Malaviya and Sri Pyarelal Khandelwal were absent. For answer vide cols. 47—49 infra*].

MR. CHAIRMAN : Question No. 357.

SOME HON. MEMBERS : Sir, the time is up.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : Sir, let me read the answer, so that it is completed. (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, no.

SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT : I am sorry, Sir, I will read the correct answer.

Allotment of Janata Flats by the DDA

*357. SHRI G. SWAMY NAIK: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state

(a) whether all the persons who were registered with the DDA for allotment of a Janata type flat in the year 1976 have been allotted flats;

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when all the persons registered in 1976 are likely to be allotted flats under the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) 561 registrants for Janata type flats under the General Housing Scheme 1976 could not be allotted flats as they had given preference for particular areas and they did not exercise choice for schemes and area where DDA had constructed houses for them.

(c) By the end of 1985.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.